

Analysis of the nonleptonic charmonium modes $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$

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ABSTRACT: In this work we present an analysis of the nonleptonic charmonium modes $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$. Within the framework of factorization approach and using the perturbative QCD for the evaluation of the relevant form factors, we find a branching fraction for the two-body channel of $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)) = (1.6_{-0.7}^{+0.9}) \times 10^{-4}$ which is in agreement with the experimental values reported by LHCb and Belle Collaborations. The associated polarization fractions to this vector-tensor mode are also presented. On the other hand, non-resonant and resonant contributions to the three-body decay $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ are carefully investigated. The dominant contributions of the resonances $\phi(1020)$ and $f_2'(1525)$ are properly taken into account. A detailed analysis of the $K^+ K^-$ invariant mass distributions and Dalitz plot are also performed. The overall result $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-) = (9.3_{-1.1}^{+1.3}) \times 10^{-4}$ is also in satisfactory agreement with the experimental information reported by LHCb and Belle.

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1 Introduction

Nowadays it is known that the study of exclusive semileptonic and nonleptonic decays of heavy mesons B and B_s have provided a precise and consistent picture of the flavour sector of the Standard Model (SM) over the past decade [1]. Some of these channels offer methods for the analysis of CP violation and determination of the angles of the unitarity triangle, test some QCD-motivated models, and the study of possible effects of physics beyond SM [1]. Among the possibilities of nonleptonic B and B_s decay modes, the color-suppressed (but CKM favored) modes induced by quark level transitions $b \rightarrow c\bar{c}s$ that involve a charmonium meson in final state are of particular interest. Specially, the charmonium vector meson J/ψ is of great experimental interest because of its clean signal reconstruction ($J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$) [1]. This is the case of the vector-vector mode $B \rightarrow J/\psi K^*(892)$ where the phase β , $B^0 - \bar{B}^0$ mixing parameter, can be extracted [1]. On the other hand, the counterpart in the B_s meson system, the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$ decay, it is the most sensitive probe to measure the complex phase β_s associated with the $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ mixing process, which is extracted from the angular analysis of the time-dependent differential decay width [2]. Very recently, the charmonium resonance $\psi(2S)$ has been studied in the time-dependent angular analysis of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)\phi(1020)$ decay reported by LHCb Collaboration [3].

Another interesting charmonium mode that has been lately studied by different experiments, is the three-body mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$. It is well known that the large contribution to the $K^+ K^-$ invariant mass spectrum of this channel is given by the vector resonance $\phi(1020)$, i.e. the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay proceeds predominantly via $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$ [2]. Recently, for higher $K^+ K^-$ mass range, the significant signal of the tensor meson $f_2'(1525)$ in the decay sequence $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)[\rightarrow K^+ K^-]$ observed by D0 experiment [4] has

Table 1. Branching fractions ($\times 10^{-4}$) of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$. For simplicity, the systematic, statistical and additional uncertainties have been combined in quadrature.

Mode	LHCb [6]	Belle [7]
$B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$	$2.61^{+0.60}_{-0.54}$	2.60 ± 0.81
$B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$	7.70 ± 0.72	10.1 ± 2.25

confirmed the earlier LHCb observation [5]. The absolute branching fractions of the mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and the entire mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ (including resonant and non-resonant contributions) were first measured by LHCb [6] and later confirmed by Belle [7] (see Table 1). Both measurements are in agreement each other. Moreover, the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ mode has been used to measure CP violation parameter of the B_s mixing in the $K^+ K^-$ mass region of $\phi(1020)$ resonance [8]. It is possible that the presence of additional resonances (with a different spin structure such as resonance $f_2'(1525)$) to $\phi(1020)$ might affect the CP measurements [9]. This could open new opportunities for complementary information on the parameters of CP violation [9].

Motivated by the phenomenological importance of nonleptonic charmonium B_s decays, in this work we will carry out an analysis of the modes $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$. We first study the branching ratio and polarization fractions of the two-body vector-tensor mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and for the sake of completeness the vector-vector mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$ is also discussed. After that, a reanalysis of the non-resonant and resonant contributions to the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay is presented, where the contributions of the resonances $\phi(1020)$ and $f_2'(1525)$ are properly taken into account by means of the Breit-Wigner resonance formalism. Although this mode has been previously considered in Ref. [10], there are some important points that have been overlooked and a more detailed analysis of the $K^+ K^-$ invariant mass distributions and Dalitz plot will be provided in the present study. So far, it is known that there is no satisfactory treatment of nonleptonic B_s to charmonium decays at present [11]. Keeping this in mind, the factorization approach is used for the description of the nonleptonic charmonium B_s decays under study. We will show that our results reproduce fairly well the experimental data.

This work is organized as follows: in Sec. 2 the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$ mode is briefly reviewed. In Sec. 3 we study the branching ratio and polarization fractions of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ mode. The non-resonant and resonant contributions to the three-body decay $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ are carefully investigated in Sec. 4. Our conclusions are left for Sec. 5.

2 $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V$ decay

The nonleptonic decay mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V$, with $V = \phi(1020)$, has been widely considered in previous works (see for instance [11]). We briefly discuss its amplitude, which is written in a form that is convenient to compare with the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ channel, in Sec. 3. This notation will be also helpful for discussion in Sec. 4 where these amplitudes will be

Table 2. Next-to-leading Wilson coefficients evaluated at $\mu = m_b$ [13], where α is the fine-structure constant.

C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	C_5	C_6	C_7/α	C_8/α	C_9/α	C_{10}/α
1.082	-0.185	0.014	-0.035	0.009	-0.041	-0.002	0.054	1.292	0.263

required. For the sake of completeness, the numerical result for the branching fraction is also obtained.

The effective weak Hamiltonian (\mathcal{H}_{eff}) for nonleptonic charmonium B_s decays induced by the $b \rightarrow c\bar{c}s$ transition is [12]

$$\mathcal{H}_{eff} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left[V_{cb}V_{cs}^* (C_1 O_1^c + C_2 O_2^c) - V_{tb}V_{ts}^* \left(\sum_{i=3}^{10} C_i O_i \right) \right] + h.c. , \quad (2.1)$$

where G_F is the Fermi constant, C_i are the Wilson coefficients evaluated at the renormalization scale $\mu = m_b$, and V_{ij} is the respective Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) matrix element. The local operators O_i are defined as [12]:

- current-current (tree) operators

$$\begin{aligned} O_1^c &= (\bar{q}_\alpha c_\alpha)_{V-A} \cdot (\bar{c}_\beta b_\beta)_{V-A}, \\ O_2^c &= (\bar{q}_\alpha c_\beta)_{V-A} \cdot (\bar{c}_\beta b_\alpha)_{V-A}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

- QCD penguin operators

$$\begin{aligned} O_{3(5)} &= (\bar{q}_\alpha b_\alpha)_{V-A} \cdot \sum_{q'} (\bar{q}'_\beta q'_\beta)_{V-A(V+A)}, \\ O_{4(6)} &= (\bar{q}_\alpha b_\beta)_{V-A} \cdot \sum_{q'} (\bar{q}'_\beta q'_\alpha)_{V-A(V+A)}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

- electroweak penguin operators

$$\begin{aligned} O_{7(9)} &= \frac{3}{2} (\bar{q}_\alpha b_\alpha)_{V-A} \cdot \sum_{q'} e_{q'} (\bar{q}'_\beta q'_\beta)_{V+A(V-A)} \\ O_{8(10)} &= \frac{3}{2} (\bar{q}_\alpha b_\beta)_{V-A} \cdot \sum_{q'} e_{q'} (\bar{q}'_\beta q'_\alpha)_{V+A(V-A)}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

where $(\bar{q}_1 q_2)_{V \mp A} \equiv \bar{q}_1 \gamma_\mu (1 \mp \gamma_5) q_2$, and α and β are $SU(3)$ color indices. The sums run over the active quarks at the scale $\mu = m_b$, i.e. $q' = u, d, s, c$. In Table 2 we list the next to leading order (NLO) Wilson coefficients evaluated at $\mu = m_b$ [13].

Under the scheme of factorization, the decay amplitude of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V$ is given by [11]

$$\mathcal{M}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} X^{(B_s V, J/\psi)}, \quad (2.5)$$

Table 3. Fit formula for the form factors of the $B_s \rightarrow V$ transition and their corresponding fit parameters [14].

Fit formula	Fit parameters
$A_1^{B_s V}(q^2) = \frac{r_2}{1 - q^2/m_{\text{fit}}^2}$	$r_2 = 0.308, m_{\text{fit}}^2 = 36.54 \text{ GeV}^2$
$A_2^{B_s V}(q^2) = \frac{r_1}{1 - q^2/m_{\text{fit}}^2} + \frac{r_2}{(1 - q^2/m_{\text{fit}}^2)^2}$	$(r_1, r_2) = (-0.054, 0.288), m_{\text{fit}}^2 = 48.94 \text{ GeV}^2$
$V^{B_s V}(q^2) = \frac{r_1}{1 - q^2/m_{1-}^2} + \frac{r_2}{1 - q^2/m_{\text{fit}}^2}$	$(r_1, r_2) = (1.484, -1.049), m_{1-} = 5.42 \text{ GeV},$ $m_{\text{fit}}^2 = 39.52 \text{ GeV}^2$

where using the approximation $V_{tb}V_{ts}^* \approx -V_{cb}V_{cs}^*$ (i.e. ignoring the small product $V_{ub}V_{us}^*$), the effective coefficient $\tilde{a}_{\text{eff}}(\mu) = a_2(\mu) + a_3(\mu) + a_5(\mu) + a_7(\mu) + a_9(\mu)$ sums the contributions from both the tree $a_2 = C_2 + C_1/3$ and penguin $a_{2i-1} = C_{2i-1} + C_{2i}/3$ ($i = 2, 3, 4, 5$) operators. The factorized term $X^{(B_s V, J/\psi)}$ is given by the expression

$$X^{(B_s V, J/\psi)} \equiv \langle J/\psi | \bar{c} \gamma_\mu c | 0 \rangle \langle V | (\bar{s} b)_{V-A} | B_s \rangle, \quad (2.6)$$

where the hadronic matrix element $\langle J/\psi | \bar{c} \gamma_\mu c | 0 \rangle = m_{J/\psi} f_{J/\psi} \epsilon_{J/\psi}^\mu$, with $\epsilon_{J/\psi}$ and $f_{J/\psi}$ ($m_{J/\psi}$) the vector polarization and decay constant (mass) of the J/ψ meson, respectively. The parametrization of the $B_s \rightarrow V$ form factors can be written as [11]

$$\langle V(p_V, \epsilon_V) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | B_s(P) \rangle = -i \frac{2V^{B_s V}(q^2)}{(m_{B_s} + m_V)} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \epsilon_V^{*\nu} P^\rho p_V^\sigma, \quad (2.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle V(p_V, \epsilon_V) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 b | B_s(P) \rangle &= 2m_V A_0^{B_s V}(q^2) \frac{(\epsilon_V^* \cdot P)}{q^2} q_\mu + (m_{B_s} + m_V) A_1^{B_s V}(q^2) \left[\epsilon_{V\mu}^* - \frac{(\epsilon_V^* \cdot P)}{q^2} q_\mu \right] \\ &\quad - A_2^{B_s V}(q^2) \frac{(\epsilon_V^* \cdot P)}{(m_{B_s} + m_V)} \left[(P + p_V)_\mu - \frac{(m_{B_s}^2 - m_V^2)}{q^2} q_\mu \right], \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

with $q_\mu = (P - p_V)_\mu$ and $V^{B_s V}, A_{0,1,2}^{B_s V}$ the form factors associated to $B_s \rightarrow V$ transition evaluated at $q^2 = m_{J/\psi}^2$. We will take theoretical predictions obtained in the light-cone sume rules (LCSR) model [14], where q^2 -dependence of the form factors is shown in Table 3.

The decay width of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V$ takes the explicit form [11]

$$\Gamma(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V) = \frac{G_F^2}{32\pi m_{B_s}^3} \frac{|V_{cb}V_{cs}^*|^2 \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}}^2 f_{J/\psi}^2}{4m_V^2} \left[\alpha_V \lambda_V^{5/2} + \beta_V \lambda_V^{3/2} + \gamma_V \lambda_V^{1/2} \right], \quad (2.9)$$

where $\lambda_V \equiv \lambda(m_{B_s}^2, m_V^2, m_{J/\psi}^2)$, with $\lambda(x, y, x) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2(xy + xz + yz)$ the usual kinematic Källén function, and

$$\alpha_V = \frac{[A_2^{B_s V}(q^2)]^2}{(m_{B_s} + m_V)^2}, \quad (2.10)$$

$$\beta_V = \frac{8q^2 m_V^2}{(m_{B_s} + m_V)^2} [V^{B_s V}(q^2)]^2 - 2(m_{B_s}^2 - m_V^2 - q^2) A_1^{B_s V}(q^2) A_2^{B_s V}(q^2), \quad (2.11)$$

$$\gamma_V = (m_{B_s} + m_V)^2 (\lambda_V + 12q^2 m_V^2) [A_1^{B_s V}(q^2)]^2. \quad (2.12)$$

In order to obtain the branching ratio we take the following input values: $f_{J/\psi} = (416.3 \pm 5.3)$ MeV [11], NLO Wilson coefficients evaluated at $\mu = m_b$ (Table 2) and form factors from Table 3. The CKM matrix elements $|V_{cb}| = (41.1 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-3}$, $|V_{cs}| = 0.986 \pm 0.016$, $\tau_{B_s} = 1.510 \times 10^{-12}$ s and masses of the mesons involved are taken from Particle Data Group (PDG) [2]. We get a value of

$$\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)) = (10.4 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}, \quad (2.13)$$

which is consistent with the experimental value $(10.8 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-4}$ [2].

3 $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T$ decay

Sharing the same CKM mixing elements and penguin contributions of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi V$ mode, the decay amplitude of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T$ (with $T = f_2'(1525)$) is written as

$$\mathcal{A}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} X^{(B_s T, J/\psi)}, \quad (3.1)$$

where the factorized term $X^{(B_s T, J/\psi)}$ has the expression

$$X^{(B_s T, J/\psi)} \equiv \langle J/\psi | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu c | 0 \rangle \langle T | (\bar{s} b)_{V-A} | B_s \rangle. \quad (3.2)$$

In analogy to the hadronic matrix element that describes $B_s \rightarrow V$ transition, Eqs. (2.7) and (2.8), the structure of the $B_s \rightarrow T$ form factors is the same by just replacing the ϵ_V^μ polarization vector by a *new polarization vector* $\epsilon_T^\mu = \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu} P_\nu / m_{B_s}$ [15, 16], with $\tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}$ being the polarization of the spin-2 tensor meson and P the B_s meson momentum (see appendix A for details). Thus, the parametrization of the $B_s \rightarrow T$ form factors can be written as [15, 16]

$$\langle T(p_T, \epsilon_T) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | B_s(P) \rangle = -i \frac{2V^{B_s T}(q^2)}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \epsilon_T^{*\nu} P^\rho p_T^\sigma, \quad (3.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T(p_T, \epsilon_T) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 b | B_s(P) \rangle &= 2m_T A_0^{B_s T}(q^2) \frac{(\epsilon_T^* \cdot P)}{q^2} q_\mu + (m_{B_s} + m_T) A_1^{B_s T}(q^2) \left[\epsilon_{T\mu}^* - \frac{(\epsilon_T^* \cdot P)}{q^2} q_\mu \right] \\ &\quad - A_2^{B_s T}(q^2) \frac{(\epsilon_T^* \cdot P)}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)} \left[(P + p_T)_\mu - \frac{(m_{B_s}^2 - m_T^2)}{q^2} q_\mu \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

with $V^{B_s T}$ and $A_{0,1,2}^{B_s T}$ the form factors associated to $B_s \rightarrow T$ transition. In ensuing calculations we will use the theoretical predictions provided by the perturbative QCD (pQCD) approach [16]. Within the pQCD approach the q^2 -dependence of the form factors $V^{B_s T}$ and $A_{0,1}^{B_s T}$ can be represented by the three-parameter formula [16]

$$F^{B_s T}(q^2) = \frac{F^{B_s T}(0)}{(1 - q^2/m_{B_s}^2)(1 - a q^2/m_{B_s}^2 + b(q^2/m_{B_s}^2)^2)}, \quad (3.5)$$

where the parameters a , b and $F^{B_s T}(0)$ (value at the zero momentum transfer) for $B_s \rightarrow f_2'(1525)$ transition are displayed in Table 4 (taken from Table II of Ref. [16]). While the form factor $A_2^{B_s T}$ can be expressed as a linear combination of $A_0^{B_s T}$ and $A_1^{B_s T}$ [16]

$$A_2^{B_s T}(q^2) = \frac{(m_{B_s} + m_T)}{m_{B_s}^2 - q^2} [(m_{B_s} + m_T) A_1^{B_s T}(q^2) - 2m_T A_0^{B_s T}(q^2)]. \quad (3.6)$$

Table 4. Form factors for $B_s^0 \rightarrow f_2'(1525)$ transitions obtained in the pQCD approach [16] (uncertainties added in quadrature) are fitted to the three-parameter form Eq. (3.5).

$F^{B_s T}$	$F^{B_s T}(0)$	a	b
$V^{B_s f_2'(1525)}$	$0.20^{+0.06}_{-0.04}$	$1.75^{+0.05}_{-0.03}$	$0.69^{+0.09}_{-0.01}$
$A_0^{B_s f_2'(1525)}$	$0.16^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	$1.69^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	$0.64^{+0.01}_{-0.04}$
$A_1^{B_s f_2'(1525)}$	$0.12^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	$0.80^{+0.07}_{-0.03}$	$-0.11^{+0.10}_{-0.00}$

We will assume the $f_2'(1525)$ meson as a $s\bar{s}$ state (since mainly $f_2'(1525) \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ [2]) and we will neglect the small mixing angle ($\sim 9^\circ$ [2]) between the two isosinglet mesons $f_2(1270) - f_2'(1525)$.

The explicit expression for the decay width of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T$ has the form

$$\Gamma(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T) = \frac{G_F^2}{48\pi m_{B_s}^3} \frac{|V_{cb} V_{cs}^*|^2 \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}}^2 f_{J/\psi}^2}{16m_{B_s}^2 m_T^4} \left[\alpha_T \lambda_T^{7/2} + \beta_T \lambda_T^{5/2} + \gamma_T \lambda_T^{3/2} \right], \quad (3.7)$$

where $\lambda_T \equiv \lambda(m_{B_s}^2, m_T^2, m_{J/\psi}^2)$ and

$$\alpha_T = \frac{[A_2^{B_s T}(q^2)]^2}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)^2}, \quad (3.8)$$

$$\beta_T = \frac{6q^2 m_T^2}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)^2} [V^{B_s T}(q^2)]^2 - 2(m_{B_s}^2 - m_T^2 - q^2) A_1^{B_s T}(q^2) A_2^{B_s T}(q^2), \quad (3.9)$$

$$\gamma_T = (m_{B_s} + m_T)^2 (\lambda_T + 10q^2 m_T^2) [A_1^{B_s T}(q^2)]^2. \quad (3.10)$$

As it was pointed out in [17], it is worth to notice that the $\lambda_T^{L+1/2} \propto |\vec{p}_T|^{2L+1}$ (with $|\vec{p}_T|$ being the three-momentum magnitude of the tensor meson in the B_s rest frame) dependence in Eq. (3.7) indicates that in vector-tensor modes the orbital angular momentum of the wave $L = 1, 2$, and 3 are simultaneously allowed, as expected.

Taking the same numerical input values as in Sec. 2 and the form factors from the pQCD approach [16] (Table 4), the branching ratio is found to be¹

$$\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)) = (1.6^{+0.9}_{-0.7}) \times 10^{-4}, \quad (3.11)$$

where the theoretical error corresponds to the uncertainties due to the CKM elements, decay constant and form factors (mainly dominated by the latter). Within the error bars our result is in agreement with the experimental values reported by LHCb [6] and Belle [7] (see Table 1). In comparison to previous theoretical estimation of $(3.3 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$ obtained in [10], our result turns out to be lower than this. Although both our result and theirs were calculated in the factorization approximation and using the pQCD prediction on the form factors, we claim that the result of [10] is overestimated since not all the penguin contributions have been included.

¹Using the predictions of the form factors derived from LCSR [18], we have obtained a value $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)) = (1.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$, which is smaller than (3.11) and the experimental measurements (see Table 1).

In addition, based on the chiral unitary approach for mesons, the authors of Ref. [19] have been estimated the ratio of branching fractions

$$\frac{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2(1270))}{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525))} = (8.4 \pm 4.6) \times 10^{-2}. \quad (3.12)$$

that is compatible within errors with the experiment [19].

Finally, for completeness, using Eqs. (3.11) and (2.13) we also estimate the ratio between the vector-tensor mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525)$ and vector-vector mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$

$$R_{f_2'/\phi} \equiv \frac{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_2'(1525))}{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020))} = (15.4^{+9.0}_{-7.0})\%, \quad (3.13)$$

that is consistent with different experimental measurements $(25.0 \pm 6.0)\%$ LHCb [6], $(19.0 \pm 6.0)\%$ D0 [4] and $(21.5 \pm 5.5)\%$ Belle [7].

3.1 Polarization fractions

In this subsection we study the polarization fractions of the decay mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T$. Taking advantage to the fact that this vector-tensor mode can be treated as the vector-vector mode $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi V$, by just replacing ϵ_V^μ by ϵ_T^μ previously introduced, the factorizable transition amplitude (3.1) can be generically decomposed in terms of the invariant amplitudes **a**, **b** and **c** [20]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi T) = & \mathbf{a}(\epsilon_{J/\psi}^* \cdot \epsilon_T^*) + \frac{\mathbf{b}}{m_{J/\psi} m_T} (\epsilon_{J/\psi}^* \cdot P)(\epsilon_T^* \cdot P) \\ & + i \frac{\mathbf{c}}{m_{J/\psi} m_T} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon_T^{*\mu} \epsilon_{J/\psi}^{*\nu} p_T^\alpha P^\beta, \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

where

$$\mathbf{a} = -\xi(m_{B_s} + m_T) A_1^{B_s T}(m_{J/\psi}^2), \quad (3.15)$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \xi m_{J/\psi} m_T \frac{2A_2^{B_s T}(m_{J/\psi}^2)}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)}, \quad (3.16)$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \xi m_{J/\psi} m_T \frac{2V^{B_s T}(m_{J/\psi}^2)}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)}, \quad (3.17)$$

are expressed in terms of $V^{B_s T}$, $A_{1,2}^{B_s T}$ and the global factor $\xi = iG_F V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} f_{J/\psi} m_{J/\psi} / \sqrt{2}$. The longitudinal (\mathcal{H}_0) and transverse (\mathcal{H}_\pm) helicity amplitudes can be expressed in terms of **a**, **b** and **c** as [15, 21]

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{|\vec{p}_T|}{m_T} [\mathbf{a}x + \mathbf{b}(x^2 - 1)], \quad (3.18)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|\vec{p}_T|}{m_T} [\mathbf{a} \pm \mathbf{c}\sqrt{x^2 - 1}], \quad (3.19)$$

with $x = (m_{B_s}^2 - m_{J/\psi}^2 - m_T^2)/2m_{J/\psi} m_T$ and $|\vec{p}_T| = \sqrt{\lambda_T}/2m_{B_s}$. In addition, the transverse amplitudes (parallel and perpendicular) defined in the transversity basis (also refer as linear

polarization basis) are related to the helicity ones via [20]

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_0 &= \mathcal{H}_0, \\ \mathcal{A}_\parallel &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathcal{H}_+ + \mathcal{H}_-) = \frac{|\vec{p}_T|}{m_T} \mathbf{a}, \\ \mathcal{A}_\perp &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathcal{H}_+ - \mathcal{H}_-) = \frac{|\vec{p}_T|}{m_T} \mathbf{c} \sqrt{x^2 - 1}.\end{aligned}\tag{3.20}$$

The decay rate can be expressed in terms of these amplitudes as [15, 21]

$$\Gamma(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f'_2(1525)) = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_T}}{16\pi m_{B_s}^3} \sum_{i=0,\pm} |\mathcal{H}_i|^2,\tag{3.21}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_T}}{16\pi m_{B_s}^3} \sum_{i=0,\parallel,\perp} |\mathcal{A}_i|^2.\tag{3.22}$$

In terms of the transversity basis, the longitudinal and parallel (perpendicular) polarization fractions are defined as [15]

$$f_L = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_0|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_0|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_\parallel|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_\perp|^2},\tag{3.23}$$

$$f_{\parallel(\perp)} = \frac{|\mathcal{A}_{\parallel(\perp)}|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_0|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_\parallel|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_\perp|^2},\tag{3.24}$$

respectively. The transverse polarization fraction is $f_T = (1 - f_L)$. By definition the fractions (3.23) and (3.24) satisfy the relation $f_L + f_\parallel + f_\perp = 1$. The numerical results for the polarization fractions f_L , f_\parallel , and f_\perp are

$$\begin{aligned}f_L(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f'_2(1525)) &= (53.3 \pm 18.0)\%, \\ f_\parallel(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f'_2(1525)) &= (30.8 \pm 12.0)\%, \\ f_\perp(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f'_2(1525)) &= (15.8 \pm 0.60)\%,\end{aligned}\tag{3.25}$$

respectively. Although it is expected that vector-tensor modes will be dominated by the longitudinal polarization [15], we get within the errors the ratio $f_T/f_L(J/\psi f'_2) \sim 1$ implying that the two fractions f_T and f_L are roughly equal. A similar theoretical result is obtained in the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$ mode, i.e. $f_T/f_L(J/\psi \phi) \sim 1$ [11, 23], which is in agreement with the measurement of the longitudinal polarization fraction $f_L(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)) = (49.7 \pm 3.3)\%$ reported by LHCb [24]. In addition, our results for the polarization fractions are in accordance with the fit fractions in the helicity basis obtained by LHCb in the amplitude analysis of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay for the resonance $f'_2(1525)$ [6]. Nevertheless, with the integrated luminosity collected by LHCb detector during LHC Run 1 (3 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV) and the expected during LHC Run 2 (additional 5 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$), it will be interesting an independent measurement of the helicity components $+$ and $-$ (or \parallel and \perp components) to test our result.

4 Non-resonant and resonant contributions to $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay

The three-body charmonium mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ receives both non-resonant and resonant contributions [6]. Although this channel has been previously considered in Ref. [10], in this section we provide a detailed reanalysis of such contributions. We also stress some important points that were overlooked by the authors of Ref. [10].

In the framework of the factorization approach the decay amplitude associated to non-resonant (NR) contribution of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ mode has the form

$$\mathcal{M}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-)_{\text{NR}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} \langle J/\psi | (\bar{c}c)_{V-A} | 0 \rangle \times \langle K^+ K^- | (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} | B_s \rangle_{\text{NR}}, \quad (4.1)$$

where only the current-induced process with a meson emission is present [25]. In the heavy meson chiral perturbation theory [26], the hadronic matrix element $\langle K^+ K^- | (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} | B_s \rangle_{\text{NR}}$ can be written in terms of four NR form factors r , w_{\pm} , and h that are defined by [26, 27]

$$\langle K^+(p') K^-(p) | (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} | B_s(P) \rangle_{\text{NR}} = ir(P - p - p')_{\mu} + iw_+(p' + p)_{\mu} + iw_-(p' - p)_{\mu} - 2h\varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} P^{\nu} p'^{\alpha} p^{\beta}. \quad (4.2)$$

In the present case only the NR form factors w_{\pm} contribute, which are given by the expressions [27]

$$w_+ = -\frac{g}{f_K^2} \frac{f_{B^*} \sqrt{m_{B^*}^3 m_{B_s}}}{s - m_{B^*}^2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{m_{B_s}^2 - m_K^2 - s}{2m_{B^*}^2} \right) \right] + \frac{f_{B_s}^2}{2f_K^2}, \quad (4.3)$$

$$w_- = \frac{g}{f_K^2} \frac{f_{B^*} \sqrt{m_{B^*}^3 m_{B_s}}}{s - m_{B^*}^2} \left[1 + \left(\frac{m_{B_s}^2 - m_K^2 - s}{2m_{B^*}^2} \right) \right], \quad (4.4)$$

where $s \equiv m^2(J/\psi K^+) = (p_{J/\psi} + p')^2$ stands for a kinematical variable representing the $J/\psi K^+$ invariant mass, and g is a heavy-flavor independent strong coupling which can be extracted from the CLEO measurement of the D^{*+} decay width, $|g| = 0.59 \pm 0.07$ [28]. For the pole mass and decay constants we will take the following numerical inputs: $m_{B^*} = 5324.83$ MeV [2] and $f_K = (155.6 \pm 0.4)$ MeV [29], $f_{B_s} = (226.0 \pm 2.2)$ MeV [29], $f_{B^*} = (175 \pm 6)$ MeV [30]. The amplitude (4.1) then reads

$$\mathcal{M}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-)_{\text{NR}} = i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} m_{J/\psi} f_{J/\psi} \times [w_+ \epsilon_{J/\psi} \cdot (p' + p) + w_- \epsilon_{J/\psi} \cdot (p' - p)]. \quad (4.5)$$

On the other hand, the resonant (R) contributions are usually described in terms of the Breit-Wigner (BW) resonance formalism. The three-body matrix element in (4.1) is written as [25, 27]

$$\langle K^+(p') K^-(p) | (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} | B_s(P) \rangle_{\text{R}} = \sum_R \text{BW}_R(t) g_{RK^+K^-} \epsilon_R \cdot (p' - p) \times \langle R | (\bar{s}b)_{V-A} | B_s \rangle, \quad (4.6)$$

where $g_{RK^+K^-}$ is the strong coupling constant and

$$\text{BW}_R(t) = \frac{1}{m_R^2 - t - im_R \Gamma_R(t)}, \quad (4.7)$$

is the BW function of the intermediate resonant state R , with m_R and $\Gamma_R(t)$ being its respective mass and decay width of $R \rightarrow K^+ K^-$. The $K^+ K^-$ invariant mass is represented by $t \equiv m^2(K^+ K^-) = (p' + p)^2$. We adopt the t -dependent parametrization for the decay width [6]

$$\Gamma_R(t) = \Gamma_{0R} \left(\frac{m_R^2}{t} \right) \left[\frac{Q(t)}{Q(m_R^2)} \right]^{2L_R+1} F_R^2 \quad (4.8)$$

where Γ_{0R} is the resonance width at its peak and $Q(t) = \lambda(t, m_{K^+}^2, m_{K^-}^2)^{1/2}/2\sqrt{t}$ is the momentum of the K^+ (or the K^-) evaluated in the $K^+ K^-$ rest frame. The orbital angular momentum is $L_R = 1$ (2) for vector (tensor) and the Blatt-Weisskopf barrier factors F_R are taken from [6]. The sum in (4.6) is extended over all possible resonant contributions. Although different resonances can appear (such as $f_0(980)$, $f_0(1370)$, $\phi(1680)$, $f_2(1750)$ and $f_2(1950)$ [6]), we will take the intermediate vector $\phi(1020)$ and tensor $f_2'(1525)$ mesons as the most important ones [6]. Furthermore, it was found by LHCb that the interference contribution between these two resonances is zero [6] and therefore it will not be considered here.

The R amplitude of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ is then given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-)_R &= i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} \sum_R \text{BW}_R(t) g_{RK^+K^-} \\ &\times \epsilon_R \cdot (p' - p) X^{(B_s R, J/\psi)}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

with $X^{(B_s R, J/\psi)}$ the factorized terms coming from $R = V$ and T , given by (2.6) and (3.2), respectively. From the decay amplitude of the strong decays $R \rightarrow K^+ K^-$

$$\mathcal{M}(V \rightarrow K^+ K^-) = g_{VK^+K^-} \epsilon_V^\mu (p' - p)_\mu, \quad (4.10)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(T \rightarrow K^+ K^-) = g_{TK^+K^-} \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\alpha} p'_\mu p_\alpha, \quad (4.11)$$

the strong coupling constants $g_{RK^+K^-}$ are determined from the experimental value of decay width of $R \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ via the expressions

$$g_{VK^+K^-} = \sqrt{\frac{48\pi m_V^5 \Gamma(V \rightarrow K^+ K^-)}{\lambda(m_V^2, m_{K^+}^2, m_{K^-}^2)^{3/2}}}, \quad (4.12)$$

$$g_{TK^+K^-} = \sqrt{\frac{1920\pi m_T^7 \Gamma(T \rightarrow K^+ K^-)}{\lambda(m_T^2, m_{K^+}^2, m_{K^-}^2)^{5/2}}}. \quad (4.13)$$

Using the above expressions and the experimental measurements $\Gamma(\phi(1020) \rightarrow K^+ K^-) = (2.08 \pm 0.04) \text{ MeV}$ and $\Gamma(f_2'(1525) \rightarrow K^+ K^-) = (64.75_{-5.93}^{+7.06}) \text{ MeV}$ [2], we get $g_{VK^+K^-} = 4.47 \pm 0.03$ and $g_{TK^+K^-} = 20.70_{-0.75}^{+0.89} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$, respectively. The error reported is due to the experimental uncertainty in the decay width. Let us notice an important point that has

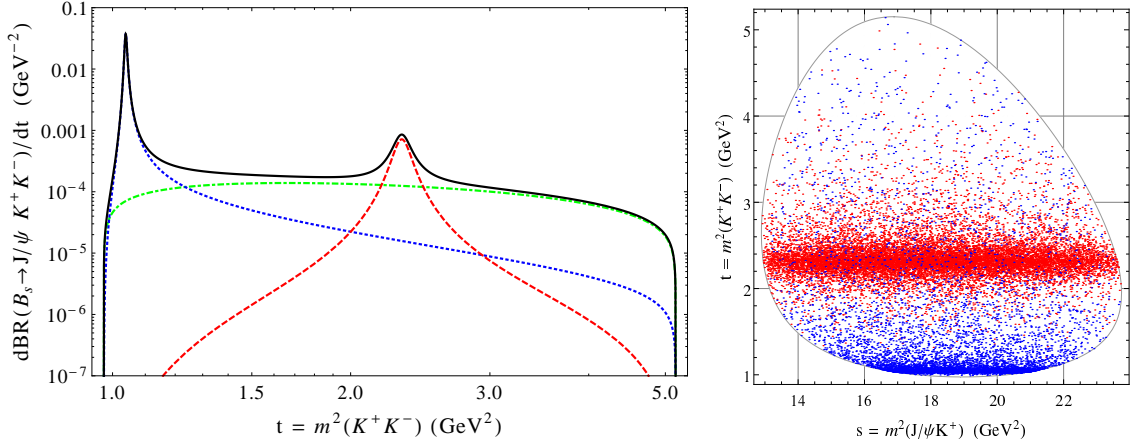


Figure 1. [Left] Differential branching ratio of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ as function of $t = m^2(K^+ K^-)$. The blue (dotted) and red (dashed) curves denote the contributions of resonances $V = \phi(1020)$ and $T = f_2'(1525)$, respectively, while the NR contribution is represented by the green (dot-dash) curve. The black (solid) curve denotes the total contribution. [Right] Dalitz plot of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$, where the horizontal blue and red bands represent the $\phi(1020)$ and $f_2'(1525)$ resonances, respectively.

been overlooked in Ref. [10], since the same expression has been used to obtain $g_{RK^+K^-}$ for both V and T , namely Eq. (30) of [10] [Eq. (4.12) of this work]. This is a mistake since (4.12) only allows us to obtain the strong coupling for $V = \phi(1020)$, while (4.13) allows us to obtain the one for $T = f_2'(1525)$. Besides, $g_{VK^+K^-}$ is dimensionless, while $g_{TK^+K^-}$ has dimensions of GeV^{-1} . This fact can affect the estimation of the branching fraction obtained in [10].

Both in the NR and R contributions, the decay width is parametrized in terms of the three-body phase space [2]

$$\Gamma(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-)_{\text{NR(R)}} = \frac{1}{32(2\pi)^3 m_{B_s}^3} \int_{t^-}^{t^+} dt \int_{s^-}^{s^+} ds |\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\text{NR(R)}}|^2, \quad (4.14)$$

where $|\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\text{NR(R)}}|^2$ is the NR (R) spin-averaged squared amplitude². The integration limits are given by $t^- = 4m_K^2$, $t^+ = (m_{B_s} - m_{J/\psi})^2$ and

$$s^\pm(t) = m_{B_s}^2 + m_K^2 - \frac{1}{2t} \left[t(t + m_{B_s}^2 - m_{J/\psi}^2) \mp \lambda_t^{1/2} (t^2 - 4tm_K^2)^{1/2} \right]. \quad (4.15)$$

with $\lambda_t = \lambda(t, m_{B_s}^2, m_{J/\psi}^2)$. In Figure 1[Left] we plot the differential branching ratio of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ as function of the invariant mass $m^2(K^+ K^-)$. The black (solid) curve denotes the total contribution, while individual terms are given by the blue (dotted) curve for $V = \phi(1020)$, red (dashed) curve for $T = f_2'(1525)$, and NR contribution is represented by the green (dot-dash) curve. As expected, the largest contribution is given by $\phi(1020)$ component, which it is clearly exhibited by the peak in Figure 1[Left], followed by the $f_2'(1525)$ component. There is also a sizeable contribution from NR term. Comparing

²Their explicit expressions are provided in appendix B.

Table 5. Values of the different contributions to the total branching fraction ($\times 10^{-4}$) of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$.

Non-resonant	Resonant		Total
	$V = \phi(1020)$	$T = f_2'(1525)$	
1.9 ± 0.1	5.6 ± 0.7	$0.8^{+1.1}_{-0.8}$	$9.3^{+1.3}_{-1.1}$

with the $m^2(K^+ K^-)$ distributions obtained by LHCb (Figs. 15 and 17 of Ref. [6]), our distribution for the resonances agrees fairly well, showing a similar behaviour. For the NR component, our distribution exhibits a different behaviour to the LHCb, this is because a linear function has been used in the experimental analysis to describe the $K^+ K^-$ mass [5, 6]. As we will show below, this difference will turn out in a bigger estimation on the NR contribution than one reported by LHCb.

As a complementary analysis, we perform the Dalitz plot of the process as shown in Figure 1[Right]. By using a Monte-Carlo simulation we generate points (s, t) over the phase space of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay, with $s = m^2(J/\psi K^+)$ and $t = m^2(K^+ K^-)$ the invariant masses. If the generated point (s, t) fulfills the Cayley condition [31]:

$$G(t, s, m_{B_s}^2, m_{K^+}^2, m_{K^-}^2, m_{J/\psi}^2) \leq 0,$$

where G is the Gram determinant [31], we plot the point, otherwise we reject the point and select a new one until we get the Dalitz plot. The horizontal blue and red bands result from the $\phi(1020)$ and $f_2'(1525)$ resonances, respectively. The obtained Dalitz plot is in accordance with the distribution obtained by LHCb (Fig. 6 of Ref. [6]).

The values of the different contributions to the total branching fraction of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ are summarized in Table 5. The error ranges are determined by the uncertainties on the above couplings and then summed in quadrature. We predict a branching fraction of

$$\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-) = (9.3^{+1.3}_{-1.1}) \times 10^{-4}, \quad (4.16)$$

that is in agreement with experimental measurements reported by LHCb [6] and Belle [7] (see Table 1). Our result also coincides with the previous theoretical estimation of $(10.3 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-4}$ [10]. But a more detailed analysis on the $m^2(K^+ K^-)$ distributions and Dalitz plot are provided in the present study.

In addition, there are some works where only the S -wave contribution of the $K^+ K^-$ spectrum of $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ was estimated to be around $\sim 1.7\%$ [32] and $\sim 1.1\%$ [33], while the contributions from $\phi(1020)$ and $f_2'(1525)$ (as well as non-resonant contribution) were not addressed in [32, 33]. Furthermore, the authors of Ref. [32] have estimated the ratio of branching fractions

$$\frac{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-)}{\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020))} = (4.4 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-2}. \quad (4.17)$$

that is compatible within errors with the experiment [32].

5 Concluding remarks

Motivated by the phenomenological importance of nonleptonic charmonium B_s decays, in this work we have carried out a reanalysis of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f'_2(1525)$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decays. Within the framework of factorization approach and using the perturbative QCD for the evaluation of the relevant form factors, we have obtained a branching fraction for the two-body channel of $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f'_2(1525)) = (1.6^{+0.9}_{-0.7}) \times 10^{-4}$ which is in agreement with the experimental values reported by LHCb [6] and Belle [7] Collaborations. In addition, the associated polarization fractions to this vector-tensor mode has been also studied by first time. We found that the fractions f_T and f_L are roughly equal, implying $f_T/f_L(J/\psi f'_2) \sim 1$. This result is in agreement with theoretical prediction [11, 23] and experimental measurement of the longitudinal polarization fraction obtained for the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi(1020)$ mode [24]. Moreover, this is also in accordance with the fit fractions in the helicity basis obtained by LHCb in the amplitude analysis of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay for the resonance $f'_2(1525)$ [6].

Concerning the three-body mode $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$, we have calculated both non-resonant and resonant contributions, and a detailed analysis of the $m^2(K^+ K^-)$ distributions and Dalitz plot have been performed. The non-resonant part has been described by the heavy meson chiral perturbation theory. For the resonant part, the contributions of the intermediate vector $\phi(1020)$ and tensor $f'_2(1525)$ mesons have been taken into account by means of the Breit-Wigner resonance formalism. It is found that the largest contribution is given by $\phi(1020)$ followed by $f'_2(1525)$, with a sizeable non-resonant contribution that agrees fairly well with the data [6]. The overall result of the branching fraction $\text{BR}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-) = (9.3^{+1.3}_{-1.1}) \times 10^{-4}$ is also in satisfactory agreement with the experimental data reported by LHCb [6] and Belle [7].

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A $B_s \rightarrow T$ form factors

The polarization of a generic tensor meson ($J^P = 2^+$) can be specified by a symmetric and traceless tensor $\tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}$ which satisfies the following properties [16, 21, 22]

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(p_T, \sigma) &= \tilde{\epsilon}^{\nu\mu}(p_T, \sigma), \\ \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(p_T, \sigma)p_{T\nu} &= \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(p_T, \sigma)p_{T\mu} = 0,\end{aligned}$$

and $\tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(p_T, \sigma)g_{\mu\nu} = 0$, with p_T and σ the momentum and helicity of the T meson. The states of a massive spin-2 particle can be constructed in terms of the spin-1 states as [21]

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(\pm 2) &= e^\mu(\pm 1)e^\nu(\pm 1), \\ \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(\pm 1) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[e^\mu(\pm 1)e^\nu(0) + e^\nu(\pm 1)e^\mu(0)], \\ \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}(0) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}[e^\mu(+1)e^\nu(-1) + e^\nu(-1)e^\mu(+1)] + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}e^\mu(0)e^\nu(0),\end{aligned}\tag{A.1}$$

with $e^\mu(0, \pm 1)$ denoting the polarization vectors of a massive vector state moving along the z -axis with the explicit structure [21]

$$e^\mu(0) = \frac{1}{m_T}(|\vec{p}_T|, 0, 0, E_T),\tag{A.2}$$

$$e^\mu(\pm 1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, \mp 1, -i, 0),\tag{A.3}$$

where m_T and $|\vec{p}_T|$ (E_T) are the mass and the three-momentum magnitude (energy) of the T meson in the B_s rest frame, respectively. Defining the new polarization vector [15, 16, 21, 22]

$$\epsilon_T^\mu = \tilde{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu}P_\nu/m_{B_s},\tag{A.4}$$

that satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_T^\mu(\pm 2) &= 0, \\ \epsilon_T^\mu(\pm 1) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(e(0) \cdot \frac{P}{m_{B_s}}\right) e^\mu(\pm 1), \\ \epsilon_T^\mu(\pm 0) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\left(e(0) \cdot \frac{P}{m_{B_s}}\right) e^\mu(0),\end{aligned}\tag{A.5}$$

with $e(0) \cdot P/m_{B_s} = |\vec{p}_T|/m_T$ and P the B_s meson momentum. We can see that although the tensor meson contains 5 spin degrees of freedom, only $\sigma = 0$ and ± 1 give nonzero contributions. As a consequence the parametrization of the $B_s \rightarrow T$ form factors is analogous to the $B_s \rightarrow V$ case except that the ϵ_V^μ is replaced by ϵ_T^μ .

In the Isgur-Scora-Grinstein-Wise (ISGW) model [34], the general expression for the $B_s \rightarrow T$ transition is parametrized as

$$\begin{aligned}\langle T(p_T, \tilde{\epsilon}) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu b | B_s(P) \rangle &= i h(q^2) \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{\epsilon}^{*\nu\alpha} P_\alpha (P + p_T)^\rho q^\sigma, \\ \langle T(p_T, \tilde{\epsilon}) | \bar{s} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 b | B_s(P) \rangle &= \tilde{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta}^* P^\alpha P^\beta [b_+(q^2)(P + p_T)_\mu + b_-(q^2)q_\mu] + k(q^2) \tilde{\epsilon}_{\mu\nu}^* P^\nu\end{aligned}\tag{A.6}$$

where $q_\mu = (P - p_T)_\mu$ and h, k, b_\pm are the form factors (k is dimensionless and h, b_\pm have dimension of GeV^{-2}) evaluated at the squared transfer momentum q^2 . This set of form factors are related to the set (3.3) and (3.4) via [15]

$$\begin{aligned}V^{B_s T}(q^2) &= m_{B_s}(m_{B_s} + m_T)h(q^2), \\ A_1^{B_s T}(q^2) &= \frac{m_{B_s}}{(m_{B_s} + m_T)}k(q^2), \\ A_2^{B_s T}(q^2) &= -m_{B_s}(m_{B_s} + m_T)b_+(q^2), \\ A_0^{B_s T}(q^2) &= \frac{m_{B_s}}{2m_T}[k(q^2) + (m_{B_s}^2 - m_T^2)b_+(q^2) - tb_-(q^2)].\end{aligned}\tag{A.7}$$

B Squared amplitudes

We collect in this appendix the non-resonant (NR) and resonant (R) spin-averaged squared amplitudes of the $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decay discussed in section 4. For NR contribution we have

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\text{NR}}|^2 = |\xi|^2 \left[k_1(s, t) [\omega_+(s)]^2 + k_2(s, t) [\omega_-(s)]^2 + k_3(s, t) \omega_+(s) \omega_-(s) \right] \quad (\text{B.1})$$

where $\xi = iG_F V_{cb} V_{cs}^* \tilde{a}_{\text{eff}} f_{J/\psi} m_{J/\psi} / \sqrt{2}$ and the kinematic factors $k_i(s, t)$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) are given by

$$k_1(s, t) = \frac{\lambda_t}{4m_{J/\psi}^2}, \quad (\text{B.2})$$

$$k_2(s, t) = \frac{1}{4m_{J/\psi}^2} \left[m_{J/\psi}^4 + 2m_{J/\psi}^2 (m_{B_s}^2 - 6m_K^2 - 2s + t) + (2s + t - m_{B_s}^2 - 2m_K^2)^2 \right], \quad (\text{B.3})$$

$$k_3(s, t) = \frac{1}{2m_{J/\psi}^2} \left[m_{J/\psi}^4 + (m_{B_s}^2 - t) (2s + t - m_{B_s}^2 - 2m_K^2) - 2m_{J/\psi}^2 (s - m_K^2) \right], \quad (\text{B.4})$$

with $m_K = m_{K^\pm}$ and $\lambda_t = \lambda(t, m_{B_s}^2, m_{J/\psi}^2)$. These kinematic factors are function of $s = m^2(J/\psi K^+)$, $t = m^2(K^+ K^-)$ and the masses of mesons involved.

The R contribution from $V = \phi(1020)$ reads as

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}_V|^2 = |\xi|^2 g_{VK^+K^-}^2 c_{0V}(t) \left[c_{1V}(t) [A_1^{B_s V}(t)]^2 + c_{2V}(t) [A_2^{B_s V}(t)]^2 + c_{3V}(t) [V^{B_s V}(t)]^2 + c_{4V}(t) A_1^{B_s V}(t) A_2^{B_s V}(t) \right], \quad (\text{B.5})$$

where $c_{0V}(t) = (t - 4m_K^2) |\text{BW}_V(t)|^2$ contains the information of the BW function [Eq. (4.7)] and $c_{iV}(t)$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) are kinematic factors defined by

$$c_{1V}(t) = \frac{(m_{B_s} + m_V)^2}{4tm_{J/\psi}^2} (\lambda_t + 12m_{J/\psi}^2 t), \quad (\text{B.6})$$

$$c_{2V}(t) = \frac{\lambda_t^2}{4tm_{J/\psi}^2 (m_{B_s} + m_V)^2}, \quad (\text{B.7})$$

$$c_{3V}(t) = \frac{2\lambda_t}{(m_{B_s} + m_V)^2}, \quad (\text{B.8})$$

$$c_{4V}(t) = \frac{\lambda_t}{2tm_{J/\psi}^2} (t - m_{B_s}^2 + m_{J/\psi}^2). \quad (\text{B.9})$$

As for the resonance $T = f_2'(1525)$ we have

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}_T|^2 = |\xi|^2 g_{TK^+K^-}^2 c_{0T}(t) \left[c_{1T}(t) [A_1^{B_s T}(t)]^2 + c_{2T}(t) [A_2^{B_s T}(t)]^2 + c_{3T}(t) [V^{B_s T}(t)]^2 + c_{4T}(t) A_1^{B_s T}(t) A_2^{B_s T}(t) \right], \quad (\text{B.10})$$

where $c_{0T}(t) = (t - 4m_K^2)^2 |\text{BW}_T(t)|^2/24$ similarly contains the information of the BW function and the other $c_{iT}(t)$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) are given by

$$c_{1T}(t) = \lambda_t^2/4t, \quad (\text{B.11})$$

$$c_{2T}(t) = \frac{\lambda_t}{24t^2 m_{J/\psi}^2} (\lambda_t + 10m_{J/\psi}^2 t), \quad (\text{B.12})$$

$$c_{3T}(t) = \frac{\lambda_t^3}{24t^2 m_{J/\psi}^2}, \quad (\text{B.13})$$

$$c_{4T}(t) = \frac{\lambda_t^2}{12t^2 m_{J/\psi}^2} (m_{B_s}^2 - m_{J/\psi}^2 - t). \quad (\text{B.14})$$

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